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1. 16th Infantry Division

Location: Olsztyn (Allenstein) East Prussia

Commanding Officer: Gen. Sosenkiewicz (Soviet of Polish descent)

Political Deputy: Capt. Komar (Soviet)

Military Deputy: Capt. Brodowicz

Acting Chief of Staff: First Lt. Malinowski

Components: 3rd Infantry Regiment
50th Infantry Regiment
51th Infantry Regiment
53rd Light Artillery Regiment (PAL)
59th Independent Mortar Battalion
and other minor unidentified units

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a. 3rd Infantry Regiment

Location (Staff): Olsztyn, 4 Ulica Partizantow (Partisan Street)

Commanding Officer: Maj. Malinowski

Political Deputy: Capt. Kiesnhof

Military Deputy: 1st Lt. Engiol

Chief of Staff: First Lt. Szepinski

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Components: Three infantry battalions and one artillery "dywizjon". Each battalion has three infantry companies, one MG company, one signal platoon, and one reconnaissance platoon. Artillery "dywizjon" has three batteries.

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b. Artillery Dywizjon

Commanding Officer: Capt. Orlowski

Components: First Battery - 8 x 45 mm guns
Second Battery - 8 x 76 mm guns
Third Battery - 8 x 122 mm guns

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According to estimates, partisan strength in the Bialystok area approximates 12,000 well-armed men. As of date, they were growing bolder daily and making forays deep into East Prussia.)

c. 55th Independent Mortar Battalion

Location: Ostruda (Osterode) East Prussia

d. 53rd Light Artillery Regiment

Location: Gdynia, in the vicinity of the railroad station

e. 60th Infantry Regiment
(Date of Information: March-April 1946)

Location: Gdansk (Danzig)

Composition: three infantry battalions, artillery dywizjon, QM company, signal company, reconnaissance platoon, and transport column. Each battalion has three infantry companies, one mortar company, one MG company, sapper platoon, artillery platoon and medical platoon.

f. First Infantry Battalion

Commanding Officer: Major Sowa

Components: First Mortar Company with three platoons, each equipped with 3 x 82 mm mortars and one platoon with 3 x 50 mm mortars.

First Artillery Platoon
Equipment: 2 x 45 mm guns

Transport Column

Commanding Officer: First Lt. Dyrda

The entire column in late March 1946 was temporarily attached to the W.B.W. (Wojskowe Bezpieczenstwo Wewnetrzne) or Internal Military Security Forces, Gdansk, as auxiliary transport.

2. W.B.W. (Internal Military Security Force - Wojskowo Bezpieczenstwo Wewnetrzne, Gdansk

Location: (Ho) Gdansk, Ulica 3-go Maya (Third May Street)
(Sub-Office) Ulica Nowy-Swiat (New World Street)

Subordinate to: K.B.W. (Internal Security Corps), Warsaw, commanded by Lt. Gen. Konevich (Soviet) in turn subordinate to Minister for Internal Security Radkiewicz.

Commanding Officer: Col. Varycnchik (Soviet)

Chief of Staff: Lt. Col. Roszkowski

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Political Deputy: Major Lapionka

Military Deputy: Lt. Col. Otvinovski (Soviet)

Chief, Administrative Section: Capt. Zygman

Chief, Operations Section: Maj. Markowicz
Deputy: First Lt. Budzynski

Miscellaneous: All CI and police formations in the Wojewodztwo Gdansk, including the UBP (Civilian Security Police), MO (Militia) and SOK (Railway Police) are subordinate to the W.B.W. Main base of operations against partisans is in Polish Pomerania in the Tucholskie Bory forest region near Tuchola (Tuchel), approximately 50 km NE of Bydgoszcz (Bromberg).

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